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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Chiau Woon Yeo

Serial No.:

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Filed:

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For:

Absolute Position Encoder Requiring Less than One

Encoding Track per Bit

Group Art Unit:

Not yet assigned

Examiner: Not yet assigned

## Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a petition to allow Agilent Technologies to make the Declaration in the above-identified patent application on behalf of the sole inventor, Chiau Woon Yeo.

Chiau Woon Yeo was an employee of Agilent Technologies when the invention covered by the above-identified patent application was made. In addition, Mr. Yeo was required to assign his invention to Agilent Technologies. A copy of the Invention submission form for the invention covered by the above-identified patent application is attached to this petition. The disclosure is signed by Mr. Yeo and lists his Agilent employee number.

Agilent has made a diligent, but unsuccessful, effort to obtain the signature of Mr. Yeo. Agilent sent a copy of the application to Mr. Yeo by Email on 8/11/03. Mr. Yeo approved the draft in an Email dated 9/20/04. The Declaration and Assignment were forwarded to Mr. Yeo by Email on 9/24/04 to the same Email Address used in Mr. Yeo's response indicating that the draft was satisfactory. Mr. Yeo did not respond to that Email or to an additional Email on 10/8/04 inquiring about the formal papers. Copies of the Emails described above are attached to this petition.

Agilent then sent another copy of the formal papers to Mr. Yeo at his last known address:

1188-3-6 Pearl Garden 11900 Penang Malaysia as evidenced by the copy of the transmittal letter signed by Leonor S. Tuck which is attached hereto. The letter was sent by Federal Express and was received at the above-identified address. However, Mr. Yeo has not returned the signed Declaration contained in this mailing or the E-mail.

If the above-identified patent application is not filed, Agilent's right to the invention will not be preserved, as Mr. Yeo could make a public disclosure of the invention that would prevent Agilent from later filing a patent application.

Agilent has attached a Declaration signed by Calvin Ward on behalf of Mr. Yeo. Calvin Ward is an attorney who is authorized to execute this on behalf of Agilent as evidenced by the attached authorization.

Respectfully Submitted,

Calvin-B. Ward Registration No. 30,896

Date signed and mailed: May 10, 2004

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